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The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present were: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chair Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Charlie Bennett, Dick Fowlkes, and Stan Tyson

Also, present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin and William Andrews, Engineering; Michael Matteson, Planning Department; Elaine Vasquez, Greg Boll, and Randy Hickman, Highway Department; County Attorney Bobby Cook, Buerger, Moseley and Carson; Chad Collier and Randy Carroll, Collier Engineering; Leslie Mitchell and Nena Graham, Accounting Department; Carol Edwards, County Mayor's Office; and other interested and concerned individuals.

Chair Rogers Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for approval of the August 4, 2010 Highway Commission minutes. Commissioner Bennett moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Special Announcements: Chair Anderson stated that they had received several letters recently including one from the Temple Hills Homeowner's Association along with correspondence pertaining to the Clovercroft Road intersection improvements.

Citizens Communications: There were none.

Elections and Appointments: There were none. Chair Anderson announced that due to the recent death of Commissioner Renis Baker, there will be an election to fill the unexpired term at the October Highway and County Commission meetings. He stated that they had already received one nomination and sent out nominee forms to others. One of the necessities is that highway commissioners live within the boundaries of district that they represent. An advertisement will run in the newspaper in September as a Public Notice to seek additional nominations, he concluded.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 9-10-28. **RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT AT AUCTION.** Commissioner Bennett moved to recommend approval, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. Chair Anderson explained that that the County holds an auction periodically and the items have to be declared surplus prior to the sale. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Resolution 9-10-4. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ROADS IN WATKINS CREEK, SECTION 2 AS A PART OF THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM FOR MAINTENANCE BY THE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LOCATED OFF NORTH CHAPEL ROAD.** Commissioner Fowlkes moved to recommend approval, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. Mr. Andrews stated that the staff recommends approval of the resolution. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Resolution 9-10-20. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ROADS IN TWO RIVERS ESTATES AS A PART OF THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM FOR MAINTENANCE BY THE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LOCATED OFF DEL RIO PIKE.** Commissioner Tyson moved to recommend approval, seconded by Commissioner Fowlkes. Supt. Hood stated that some debris had been left on one of the roads in Two Rivers Estates by a sweeper. The developer had assured him that it would be cleaned up. Mr. Andrews stated there were also some concerns with debris in the ditch line and that 90% of the debris had been removed and the rest would be removed shortly. Commissioner Tyson asked if there was an escrow account and Mr. Andrews stated that there was not. Chair Anderson stated that if the remainder of the debris is not cleaned up to the County's satisfaction by the date of the County Commission meeting (September 13th), then the resolution accepting the roads will be pulled. Conditioned on the debris being removed, the motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

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Resolution 9-10-19. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ROADS IN ABINGTON RIDGE, SECTION 3A AS A PART OF THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM FOR MAINTENANCE BY THE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LOCATED OFF ARNO ROAD.** Commissioner Fowlkes moved to recommend approval, seconded by Commissioner Tyson. Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the resolution. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Resolution 9-10-3. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ROADS IN WATKINS CREEK, SECTION 4 AS A PART OF THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM FOR MAINTENANCE BY THE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LOCATED OFF NORTH CHAPEL ROAD.** Commissioner Fowlkes moved to recommend approval, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Mr. Andrews stated that staff recommends approval of the resolution. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Highway Commission District Reports. There were no reports; however, Commissioner Tyson asked if the Highway Commission District boundaries were appropriate.

Chair Anderson stated that the highway districts had been in place for some time and that while there is no legal requirement for re-examining the boundaries, it might be worth examining in the future. Mr. Cook stated that they could look at population, road length and/or density. Chair Anderson stated that the 2010 Census might provide additional information pertaining to population which could be taken into consideration. Mr. Horne stated that the census will go to the President of the United States on December 31, 2010.

Commissioner Tyson stated that he believed it would be a good idea to study the matter further.

Highway Superintendent Report. Supt. Hood stated that the storm related cleanup had been completed and that the Highway Department was back to their normal operation. He stated that they were working on an updated agreement with Mallory Valley. Lastly, Supt Hood stated that while some residents had expressed concerns about the road improvements at Oxford Glen and Clovercroft, and asked to have Mr. Collier explain the sight distance situation.

Mr. Collier explained (see attachment) that the original sight distance at the hill was 425 feet and is now 550 feet which is an improvement of 125 feet after cutting the hill down approximately 3.3 feet. This additional distance provides two seconds of additional time that a car traveling at 50 mph has when approaching the intersection which falls within the guidelines set by RPM. Chair Anderson stated that the improvements were being challenged by an alderman with the City of Franklin along with some homeowners. Further, he commended Mr. Collier and Supt. Hood for working with the neighbors in this area. He also stated that something should have been done previously before the City of Franklin approved new subdivisions that empty onto a county road which was not designed for the amount of traffic. Chair Anderson stated that approximately \$300,000 had been spent to improve the situation. Supt. Hood stated that he believed the improvements improved the traffic interaction.

Highway Chairman Report. Chair Anderson gave an overview of the recent elections at the County Commission and asked Mrs. Edwards to prepare letters to the six new commissioners inviting them to attend a Highway Commission meeting. In addition, he gave an overview of the current economic development, unemployment numbers and student enrollment in Williamson County schools.

Legal Issues. There were no legal issues.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 a.m., upon duly made motion and second, as there was no further business.

Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor